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Sharpening The Focus: Total Rewards

Editor's Note: In the last issue, EMerging Times talked to Ben Wilkinson, chair of the total research transition team, about the philosophy underlying the more Conectin componential and benefits arrangements. In this issue, we've focused on some currently usual able details about the program.

ET: You said that "flexible benefits" give employees the opportunity to tailor their needs as well as their family's. What benefits until be offered under the flexible borefits portion of the total renords program?

BW: There will be medical-including prescription and vision; desual; disability; and life insurance options-including dependent life coverages; health care and dependent care reimbursement accounts; and time off-including vacation; holidays, and vick leave. Plus, we're looking into offering a number of other

options that will give employees even more choice and flexibility. And, of toorse, there are benefits outside the flexible benefits program-pension and 401(k), for instance.

ET: How soil the flexible benefits program swork? AW: Banically, it works like this: Concerr will give you an amount of benefit credita-like benefit dollars-go allocate among your benefit choices. You will use your credits to purchase the types and levels of benefits that you decide fix your needs. You may be able to waive coverage under certain plans, which would free a number of credits that you could use to buy other benefits you need. If you have credits remaining after designing your benefits package, you will receive the balance in cash as taxable income added to your pay. II, on the other hand, your benefit choices cost more than your

"Comparable<mark>"</mark> Job Defined

The issue of what is a "comparable" job is of significance to employees as they consider job offers with Conectiv. That is because, if an employee turns down a comparable job, he or she would not be eligible for any involuntary separation benefit. However, if an employee turns down a job that is not comparable, he or she would be eligible for 50 percent of the involuntary separation benefit.

A job will be considered "comparable" if the new pay surger for the job is 25 percent or greater than what the employee's present job is currently paid. A job is "less than comparable" if the pay target is less than 85 precent of what the employee's present job is currently paid. Pay target is defined as the competitive rate for the job as set by line management.

What the employee's present job is corrently paid will be determined as follows:

Employees in non-union jobs-cop of core band (AE) or the midpoint (DPL) for the job when the offer is made. Employees in union jobs-current final pay rate (AE and DPL) when the offer is

It's important to note that the determination is based on what the job is paid, not what the employee in the job is paid.

If you have questions about how your job is currently paid please talk to your, supervisor.

Total Rewards

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benefit credits, you pay the difference through payroll deductions. In most cases, your contributions are deducted from your pay on a before-tax basis. Bring able to use before-tax dollars to buy benefits is a benefit in itself, since it helps you get more for your money.

ET: Can you tell us more about the neu pension errangementi BW. The design of the plan is not yet finalized, but we know it will be what) called a "cash balance" plan. Unlike the companies' current final pay plans that pay a benefit based on a formula applied at the end of your career, the cash balance plan provides each employee with a record keeping account into which the company credits a percentage of pay each year. The account balance will grow based on a set innerest cate. At least annually, employees will receive a statement telling them their account balance. The account balance is portable, which means it can be colled into another employer's pian or an IRA if you leave Concertiv.

ET: What bappens to the benefit on employes has already earned under a current AE or DFL pension plan i BW: Employees have a nonforienable right to-that is, they can't lose-the value of the benefits they have accrued in their current pension plans.

ET: If the marger closes January 1, 1998, and the new benefits program isn't effective until mid 1998, what benefits will employees have during that time?

BW: Employees will remain covered

under their current benefit plans between the merger closing date and mid 1998.

ET: When will any changes in how employees are paid begin to affect individual employees?

BW: Changes in the direct pay aspects of the total rewards program will begin to affect individual employees at the time each employee acmally begins his or her "new" job with Conceivaths is, following the selection process that will take place after the merger closing date: In other words, the "effective date" for changes in direct pay will vary based on the situation of the individual employee.

ET: How will employees find out more about the Consents total research programs?

BW: The plan is to issue a series of newsletters over the next seven months leading up to benefits euroliment in May, Each newsletter will deal with some aspect of the total rewards program. Then, in the apring, each employee will receive a "decision kit" that provides the detailed information seeded to make choices under the flexible benefits program. We will hold meetings for employees so they can

Note: For employees working under labor agreements, all pay and benefits must be negotiated.

hear about the program and ger answers to any questions they may have. Our goal is to provide the

resources employees need to make well-informed decisions about their

benefitz.

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Selection Process Continues

For employees who have self nominated for a position in the current Conectiv selection process ___ The hiring manager will call during the next two weeks to let you know if you will have an interview and, if so, to make interview arrangements.

Should you not hear from the biring manager in that time period, contact Bob Pavlovski, AE human resources, (609) 645-4708 or Peg Symes, DPL human nisources, (302) 425-3426.

Time Is Bunning Out On ERO Windows

The election windows for the Enhanced Retirement Offer (ERO) will soon close for all eligible Atlantic Energy and Delmarva Power employees. Eligible for the ERO are:

At Atlantic Energy

 non-union and union employees who, by December 31, 1998, will be see 55 or older, and have at least five years of continuous service

At Delmarya Power

. non-union and union employees who, by December 31, 1998, will be age 55 or older, and who have at least 12 years of commoous service

Closing dates for eligible employees vary. If you are eligible for this option, please make sure you make your decision and return your election forms to your supervisor by the date listed below.

Non-Union Atlantic Energy & Delmarva Power Employees October 31, 1997

Atlantic Energy Local 210 Members November 30, 1997

Deimarya Fower Local 1238 and Local 1307 Members December 18, 1997

The ERO is the first of the volumeary staff reduction offerings in connection with the merger. The intent is to rely as much as possible on voluntary approaches, which the senior leadership mum believes to be the more compassionate way to meet the unavoidable business need to reduce the number of employees in the merged company,

If you have questions about the ERO option, please contact the ERO hodine 1-888-376-8997, at Delmarva Power, or 1-800-608-0098, at Atlantic Energy.

important Numbers To Remember

The Employee Merger Hotline—Record your question, we'll get back to you within two business days: 1-800-201-4718.

The Employee Assistance Program (EAP)-Available 24 hours/7 days per week for you and your family members:

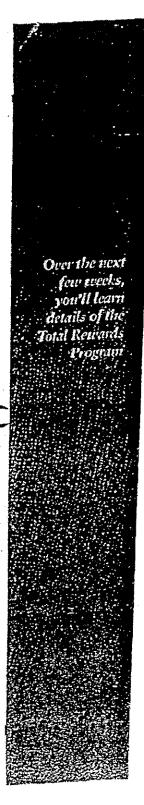
AE-1-800-608-0098 DPI-1-800-843-9775

If you have questions pertaining specifically to the ERO, call the ERO Hotline:

AE-1-800-608-0038

DPL-1-838-376-8997

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CONECTIV TOTAL REWARDS PROGRAM FINALIZED

During the last several weeks, details of Conectiv's Total Rewards Program for management have been finalized. The new program will cover all Conecriv management employees. Coverage for union employees is subject to collective bargaining.

Over the next few weeks, you'll learn the details of the program and the benefit options available to you. You've already received two newsletters giving some background information about the new pension and flexible benefits plans, With this issue of facts and the next one, we'll explain more about the program and the decisions you'll be making soon.

In May, you will each receive a personalized "decision kit" that will help you. make your flexible benefit elections. We'll also hold group meetings and provide a hodine to answer your questions. (For more on the communications schedule, see the back cover.) Your Conectiv Flex benefits will start July 1.

YOUR PAY

Pay is, of course, an important element in the Total Rewards Program. Conectiv has made sure that our base pay levels are competitive with what is being paid for similar jobs in general industry in the areas in which we operate. Each employee will be informed about his or her "competitive base opportunity - that is, the potential base salary for the job over time, given sustained solid individual performance.

In addition, all employees not participating in management or business unit variable pay plans will participate in Conectiv's Variable Pay Opportunity-our new plan that replaces the former DPL (CPIP) and AE (Corporate Bonus) profit tharing plans. Annual payouts will be based on how well Conectiv as a whole and individual business units achieve pre-established financial goals.

NEW CASH BALANCE PENSION PLAN

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The new cash balance pension plan will take effect January 1, 1999.



Benefit Easier to Understand

The way the new pension plan works is simple. Each year the company makes a cash contribution equal to a percentage of your total pay, including overtime and bonus, to your individual pension account. Throughout your Conectiv career, your account grows through additional yearly company contributions, plus interest. When you retire, the current cash value of your account is yours.

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Over the years, as you watch your pension account grow, you'll have a clearer idea of your own financial position. And you'll be better able to plan for your future.

Portability a Plus

Today, people who work for a single company throughout their careers are in the minority. So being able to transfer accumulated pension credit from one employer to the next is an important plus.

With the new cash balance plan, if you leave Conectiv after you have completed five years of service and are vested, you can transfer your pension account either to your new employer's plan or to your own IRA. Taxes are deferred on the transfer, so your full account can continue growing for the rest of your working years.

Company Contributions and Interest

Conecuiv makes all the contributions to your cash balance pension account. These contributions are based on a percentage of your total pay, including overtime and bonuses. Contributions increase with age, as shown below. You are not required to contribute to the pension plan-

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Age*	Pension Credit (% of Pay)	Age*	Pension Credit (% of Psy)
Under 30	5%	40 to 44	8%
30 to 34	6%	45 to 49	9%
35 to 39	7%	50 and over	10%.

The company also credits your account with interest each year based on the current 30-year U.S. Treasury bond rate. This rate changes based on economic conditions. Currently, it is 6%. Historically, it has averaged about 8%.

Conversion to the New Pension Plan

The new cash balance pension plan will cover all Conectiv employees* as of January 1, 1999. Benefits already earned under the former DPL and AE pension plans are fully protected, and will be converted to an equivalent cash amount. This will form your "starting balance" under the new plan.

Your starting balance will, in essence, provide you with the lump sum amount you would need today to purchase a lifetime annuity equal to the benefit you've carned to date under your DPL or AE pension plan. The conversion formula will . take into account any early retirement and survivor benefits which are part of the current plans.

Later this year, you'll receive a personalized pension statement showing your lump sum "starting balance" under the new plan.

Transition Credits with Ten or More Years' Service

If you have completed between ten and 35 years of service with DPL or AE as of January 1, 1999, you will also be eligible for annual transition credits. This means the company will contribute an additional amount to your pension account each year. Your transition credit percentage depends on your completed service as of January 1, 1999, and remains constant until you have completed 35 years of service. At that point, transition credits stop.

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Service as of	Transition Credit (% of Pay)	Service as of 1/1/99	Transition Credit (% of Pay)
10 to 11 years	1%	16 to 19	3%
12 to 15 years	2%	20 years or more.	4%

For example, if you have completed 13 years of service as of January 1, 1999, the company will make an additional contribution of 2% of your total pay to your account every year until you complete 35 years of service.

Annual Statements

Each year, you'll receive a personal statement of your pension account which will show the company's contributions (basic amount plus any transition credits), interest credit and total balance, so you'll be able to watch the progress of your account over the years.

Benefits already carned under DPL and AE plans are fully protected.

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A Quick Look at th	e New "Cash Balance" Pension Plan
Company Contributions	 Made annually to your account based on a percentage of pay Age-related percentage ranges from 5% to 10%
Interest	Credited each year based on the 30-year U.S. Treasury bond rate at the time
Conversion to New Plan	 Benefits accrued under DPL and AE pension plans to be converted to a cash equivalent starting balance under new plan Starting balance also credited with interest annually (see above)
Transition Credits	With 10 years of service as of 1/1/99, you receive an additional annual company contribution of 1% to 4% of pay
Vesting	Upon completion of five years of service (including service with DPL and AE)
Portability	Totally portable; current value of your account is yours if you leave Conectivafter you are vested
Survivor's Benefit	Full current value of your account is paid to your spouse or beneficiary if you die while actively employed
Payment options at retirement	Lump sum cash option or several lifetime monthly payment options (annuities); cash option can be rolled over to an IRA to continue tax deferral

"Grandfather" Protection for Older and Long Service Employees

Of course, many employees have already worked for most of their careers under the former "final pay" pension plans. For this reason, two groups of people will also continue to be covered by their former plans for the next ten years. They are employees who, as of January 1, 1999:

- have completed 20 years of service, or
- are age 50 or older

These "grandfathered" employees will have their pensions calculated under both the former and new plans, and will receive whichever value is greater.

Payment Options at Retirement

The new pension plan also gives you a great deal of flexibility when you retire. You may take the full value of your pension in a single hump sum, which you may then roll over, tax deferred, into the investment vehicle you select. Or you may elect guarantred lifetime monthly payments for yourself or you and your spouse (an "annuity").

Survivor Benefits

The new pension plan provides another advantage in case of your death after you are vested but before retirement. Under the former plans, survivor benefits were payable only to a spouse, and then in an amount equal to about balf of your accrued benefit. With the new plan, the entire cash value of your pension account would be . paid to your beneficiary who, with your spouse's consent, can be anyone you name.

401(K) SAVINGS PLAN

The 401(k) plan, with its automatic, tax-deferred saving feature, company match and investment options, has become an important part of the retirement benefits package at both DPL and AE. Today, many employees are building a strong financial future for themselves by participating actively in these plans.

Conectiv will also sponsor a 401(k) plan that blends features from both prior plans.

Company Match and Savings Options

Beginning July 1, the Company will match 50% of the first 6% of pay that you save, in the form of Conectiv stock. Making the match in stock helps reinforce one of Conectiv's key goals for our Total Rewards Program—linking employees' interests with the Company's business success. In other words, the better we do financially, as reflected in Conectiv's stock price, the better you will do, too.

You may contribute a total of up to 20% of pay to the plan—up to 15% on a before-tax basis and up to 5% on an after-tax basis.

New Investment Choices

The new 401(k) plan will offer a broader range of investment choices than either the DPL or AE plans. The Vanguard Group, one of the country's largest and most respected mutual fund companies, will be responsible for maintaining account records as well as managing most of the investment funds.

Investment options will include both fixed income and diversified stock funds. In addition, you will have the choice of investing your account in one of two "LifeStrategy" funds that automatically apportion your account among several different funds according to your investment goals.

Under the new 401k plan, Conectiv will match 50% of the first 6% of pay you save

New 401(k) Investment Options

Stock Funds

- · Vanguard Index Trust 500 Portfolio*
- . T. Rowe Price International Stock
- · Baron Asset Fund
- Vanguard/PRIMECAP
- Vanguard/Windsor II
- Vanguard Growth & Income Portfolio

LifeStrategy Funds

- Vanguard LifeStrategy Portfolio Growth Portfolio
- Vanguard LifeStrategy Portfolios Moderate Growth Portfolio

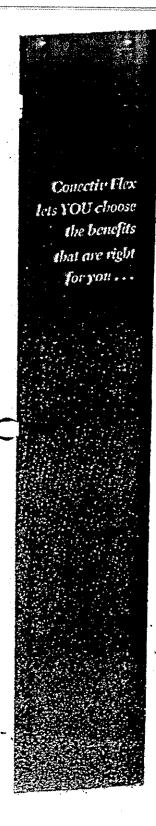
Fixed Income Funds

- Vanguard Bond Index Fund Total Bond Market Portfolio
- Vanguard Retirement Savings Trust

Later this spring you'll have the opportunity to learn more about the new investment funds. In August, Vanguard will automatically transfer your investment in current plan funds to comparable new funds, with no tax liability at transfer. You will then be free to make any investment changes you want.

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CONECTIV FLEX

Conectiv Flex, our new flexible benefits program, goes into effect July 1, 1998. Conectiv Flex lets you choose the benefits that are right for you from among a broad variety of options. Highlights of your Conectiv Flex program follow. You'll receive more details about the program in the next few weeks.

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Conectiv Flex Means Advantages for You

With Conecriv Flex, you choose the benefits you want each year, and you can change your benefits annually, as your needs change. In this way, Conectiv can be sure it is making the wisest use of the dollars it sets aside each year to pay for ." benefits. Conectiv Flex offers:

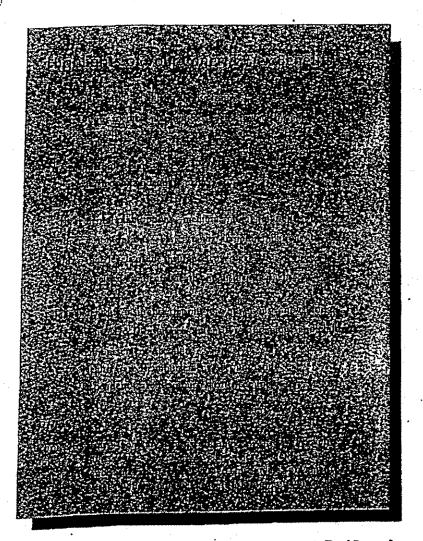
- A range of benefits from which to choose (see Highlights..., right)
- Cash back-Conectiv pays the major portion of the cost of coverage under Conectiv Flex. Each benefit option has a price tag, depending on the type and level of benefit you choose. If the benefits you choose cost more than the amount Conectiv pays, you pay the difference through payroll deductionusually on a before-tax basis. If the benefits you choose cost less than the amount Conectiv pays, you will receive extra dollars in your paycheck as taxable cash.
- Tax advantages-With Conectiv Flex, you get the advantage of tax breaks permitted by law. For example, amounts you pay toward health care coverage are deducted from your pay on a before-tax basis. And, when you participate in a Health Care or a Dependent Care Reimbursement Account, you pay no federal or Social Security taxes on the dollars that go into your account(s) or on the dollars that are reimbursed to you.

FlexPhone Telephone Enrollment

in May, you'll be able to enroll for your Coneciiv Flex benefits for July 1998-July 1999 using any touch tone phone and the personalized enrollment fact sheet that you will receive.

The FlexPhone system is quick and easy, It ensures privacy and confidentiality using your own Personal Identification Number (PIN). Complete instructions for enrolling by phone will be included with the Conectiv Flex decision kit that you'll receive in May.

> Watch for the next issue of facts to learn more about your Conectiv Flex benefit options.



This newsletter covers only the highlights of your Conectiv Total Rewards Program. Details of the plans are contained in the official plan documents. In the case of questions, the documents always govern.

You'll be able to enroll for Hex using the ElexPhone system..



TOTAL REWARDS COMMUNICATION PLAN

This schedule will give you an idea of what you can expect to hear about the new Total Rewards Program between now and the July 1 effective date.

- Flex benefits effective dateJuly 1

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December 21, 1998

Dear Conceily Management Employee,

Beginning January I, Concert will switch to a "cash balance" pension yian as announced earlier this year. In order to provide you with your opening balance, the Company will use your 1998 samings, which will not be finalized until late January, 1999. At the same time as we are moving to the each balance pension plan, the Company is consourcing pension administration to the Vanguard Group, which is also the administrator of Concertiv's 401K plans and PAYSOP plans. Vanguard will verify the conversion calculations, and will then distribute your individual account balances by the end of the second quarter of 1999.

Until individual statements can be prepared, we have created two tables of example calculations so employees can estimate their opening balances. Remember that these tables are examples path, and that your actual cash balances will reflect your particular circumstances. There will be more detailed constraintations in the Spring. If you have general questions, please hold them until these communications are available. We have included in this letter answers to some general questions about the new program.

If you are at retirement age and are planning to retire in the first quarter of 1995, please call the Human Resources Strategic Business Partner for your area: Pat Duffy, Energy Delivery & Survices, at 220-3155; Burold Delamette, Supply, at 220-3252; Ben Wilkinson, Shared Services, at 220-3047; and Davie Motil at 250-6020.

We hope this preliminary information is belieful to you.

Q. What is a "cash balcace" pearing plan?

A. Each year the company credit your individual pension account with a cash contribution equal to a percentage of your notal pay, including overtime and bount. Throughout your Conectiv career, your account grows through additional yearly company coordinates, plus interest. When you retire, the current cash value of your account is yours. If you leave Conectiv after you have completed five years of service and are vested, you can transfer your pension account either to your new servicyer's plan or to your new IRA. Tracer are deferred on the transfer, so your full account can continue growing for the rest of your working years. At retirement, you can take the money in a hump sum and roll it over, tax deferred, into the investment vehicle you relect. Or you can also to receive lifetime monthly payments, either for yourself, or far you and your spouse. Each year, you'll receive a statement of your pension account showing all transactions and its total balance.

- Q. What are the key components of Concetiv's new eash balonce pession plan?
 A. Picase see the accompanying "Opdate of Concetiv Facts," below.
- O. What are the advantages of cash balance?
- A. Your each believe peasion account is completely portable. In addition, the plan contains increased "beneficiery" benefit: the full value of the secount transfers to your spouse, family, or extate in the event of your death. Employees will receive annual statements showing the actual correct value of their pension acrount. These features notes that the cash balance pension plan being to must more diverse needs of today's and tomorrow's employees.
- Q. Are there some grandisthering provisions and other transition rules?

 A. You may recall that, as part of the approach taken by management to provide minimal impact on the existing workforce, extensive protections were worm into the new plan for employees approaching the ratirement age. Any employee aged 50 or with 20 years of service as of December 31, 1998 is "grandisthered" for ten years after landary 1, 1999. This means that when a grandisthered participent ratires, the pention is computed both under the old formula and the new one, and the participant receives the greater amount. In addition, retirest choosing the old formula will be able to take a imposum distribution of their pention during the 10 year period. These provisions are for the next ten years when the benefits under the old plan are calculated, frozen, and compared at retirement to the cash balance accounts to determine the best benefit for the employee. In addition to the grandisther provision, favorable transition rules apply for longer service comployees. This means those employees will get extra amount credits to their accounts during the ten year period.

Conectiv Cash Balance Retirement Plan January I, 1999 Account Balance Estimate (For amployees formerly covered by the ACE Plan)

	Age/Service						
Average Five Year Earnings	35/10	40/25	96/20	45/20	50/20	50/2.5	55/25
\$30,000	14,600	30,300	41,100	57,600	10,800	101,000	141,700
340,000	19,300	41,100	54,300	76,800	107,700	134,700	111.900
\$50,000	24,400	51,300	64,500	96,000	134,700	168,300	238,100
\$75,000	36,600	77,000	102,700	144,000	202,000	252,500	354 200

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Year Earnings	<u> </u>		1			1	
\$30,000	11,800	24,800	33,100	46,400	65,100.	£1,300	114,100
\$40,000	15,700	33,100	44,100	61,800	\$6,700	108,400	152,100
\$50,000	19,700	41,300	55,700	77,300	108,400	135,500	190,100
575,000	29,500	62,000	\$2,700	136,000	162,600	203,300	285,200

Q. Why are there two tharts?

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A. Pension benefits differed between the two merger partners, Attentic Energy and Delmurys Power, and employees are antided to the benefits already exped. Opening balances will be different for two hypothetical employees having the same age and length of service, but coming from different companies. But, going forward, future credits to the accounts will be computed in exactly the same manner.

Q. In general, what are the differences in the two plans?

A. The main difference is that Atlantic Energy employees could retire at 55 with no reduction in benefit, while Delmarys Power supplyees could resire at 60 with no reduction in benefit, or at 55 with a 24% reduction in benefit. The Atlantic Emergy percentage multiplier is 1.6%, compared to the Delmarva Power 1.5% On the other hand, Delmarys Power surplayees have an enhanced analyser benefit that Atlantic Energy employees do not have. These differences have been quantified and were used in calculating these tables.

Q. Are there additional key variables other than entaings, age, and service lime to consider when reviewing

A. The tables reflect the present value of money. Another factor that may not be as obvious, but that is significant in the opening balance calculation, is your distance from retirement age. So while additional service is important and is reflected as you move from left to right in the chart, is is also significant that you we also moving closer to age 55. The closer you are to age 55 the less the benefit exceed to date that must be discounted to compete the opening balance. Or enerwisely, the younger you are, the more of the benefit must be discounted to enopote the opening balance. This is why the initial balances for younger people appear smaller,

Note: This information is betended to be used as a guideline only for eligible employees. The employees eligible for the cost bail plan are assumptioned employees conventy swelled in Casocity Flex benefits.

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Transition Credits with Ten or More Years' Service

If you have completed between sen and 35 years of service with DPL or AE as of January 1. 1999, you will also be eligible for annual transition cradits. This means the company will contribute an additional amount to your pension account each year. Your transition credit percentage depends on your completed service as of January 1, 1999, and remains constant until yes have completed 35 years of service. At that point, transition credits stop.

Service as of 1M/85	Transition Credits Transition Credit (% of Pay)	Service as of 1/1/98	Transition Credit (% of Pay)
10 to 11 years	1%	16 to 15	3%
12 to 16 years	254	20 years or more	4%

For example, if you have completed 13 years of service as of January 1, 1999, the company will make an additional contribution of 2% of your total pay to your account every year until you complete 35 years of service.

Appeal Statements

Each year, you'll receive a personal statement of your pension account which will show the company's contributions (basic amount plus any transition credits), interest credit and total balance, so you'll be able to watch the progress of your account over the years.

"Grandfather" Protection for Older and Long Service Employees

Of course, many employees have already worked for most of their careers under the former "final pay" pension plans. For this reason, two groups of people will continue to be covered by their former plans for the next ten years. They are employees who, as of January 1, 1999:

- . have completed 20 years of service, or
- are age 50 or pider.

These "grandfathered" employees will have their pensions calculated under both the former and new plans, and will receive whichever value is greater. As an additional benefit, grandfathered employees have the option to elect a lump sum distribution under the former plan.

Payment Options at Retirement

The new pension plan also gives you a great deal of flexibility when you retire. You may take the full value of your pension in a single hump sum, which you may then rull over, tax deferred, into the investment vehicle you select. Or you may elect guaranteed lifetime monthly payments for yourself, or for you and your spouse (an "annuity").

Survivor Benefits

If you die after you are vested but before retirement, the new pension plan provides another advantage to your survivor. Under the former plans, survivor benefits were payable only to the spouse, and then at an amount equal to about half of your accross benefit. With the new plan, the entire cosh value of your pension account would be paid to your beneficiary who, with your spouse's consent, can be anyone you name.

Company Contributions	tire New "Cash Balance" Pension Plan Made sanus by to your account based on a percentage of pay. Age-related percentages range from 5% to 10%.
Interest	Credited each year, besed on the 30-year U.S. treasury bond rate at the time.
Conversion to New Plan	Benefits accrued under DPL and AE pension plans to be convented to a cash equivalent starting balance under new plans. Sharting balance also credited with interest annually.
Transition Credits	With 10 years of service as of 1/1/99, you receive an additional annual company contribution of 1% to 4% of pay.
Vesting	Upon completion of five years of service (including service with DP), and AE).
Ponability	Totally portable; current value of your account is yours if you leave Conective after you are vested.
	Full current value of your account is paid to your apouse or beneficiary if you die white actively employed.
Payment options	Lump-sum cash option, or several lifetime monthly payment options (annulties cash option can be rolled over to an IRA to continue tax deferral.

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MidWeek Extra

Cash balance update June 23, 1999

Opening standards for the Cash Balance Pension Plan will be unabled to employees' houses beginning ment week. Thirty informational meetings are scheduled throughout the company from July 12 to July 29 to familiarine employees with the plan and to answer questions. A deaft schedule is below, This schedule is from but could be unexacted if there are major conflicts in your area.

Because this issue is very important to employees, the meetings are being scheduled during weaking bours. As messagers, pilease make sere that everyone who wishes to strend the information sensions is given the appearancely. If employees are enable to attend meetings at their work sites, they may attend sections

These meetings will be the best source of information on the plan and employees' opening balances. Recent service in the rational media have raised executes about some cash-balance plans that do not offer the same level of financial security or practitationing provisions as Connectiv's Cath Balance Pensison Plan. One part of the presentation will address these concerns and demonstrate how Concettiv's plan is different. Macobers of the leadership group of measures and above we invited to the first meeting, July 12 at the Conference Cooler. This meeting will give you prospective you can use to help yourself and your employous.

The Cash Balance Franco Pies is a portable pension that you may take with you if you leave the company at any time after a five-year vesting period. The Vangouri Group will set as the plan administrator, and the Towars Ferral coording from will act to the actoury. The plan is easy to understand. Each year, the company makes a test combinates to your account equal to a percentage of your actal pay, including overfices and variable pay, Through your career, the account power with additional contributions and arrand interest. When you know or ratio, the value of the account is yours, provided you are vested.

It's important to note that opining balances reflect the entrent value of your benefit under the Delmarva and Atlantic plans. Keep it mind that the balances reliest the present-day value of money. This belance will continue to grow through annual contributions, interest, and depending on your age and service, transition tredits. The talculations will be discussed at the meetings.

Open receipt of the statements, employees abould check the information. If you believe any of the info to your severment is incorrect, fallow the instructions on the opening-balance extension. Please do not call the Russen Resources Service Copies or the plan administrator,

Hype or your employers have any questions after succiving the opening statements, please hold them until the meetings, where experts will be available to respond. The mastings were scheduled after the medians w mable employees to proper questions. They will be the best source of information on the plan at this time. After the meetings, the Huxum Resource Service Center and Vanguard will be prepared to narwer any questions you may have going forward.

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		3:30p-5p	
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FH. 7/36	Data Center - Rooms 2 A&B	9-10:30a	Carol Feterson, 8-235-514
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Mon., 7/19	Centreville - General Meeting Room	9a-10:30a	Tero Layton, 8-425-4125
Man., 1/19	SDGO - Room I, 1º Floor	1:30p-3p	Lors Brittingham, 5-230-6
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Conectiv: Cash Balance Pension Plan

A Resident Valuable Plan for Today's Employees

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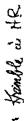
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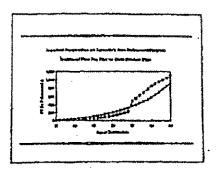




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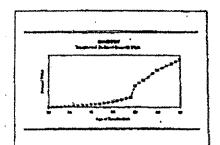
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- 1 hygienist?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And then in 1994 you became an
- 4 employee relations specialist, is that correct?
- 5 A. That's correct.
- 6 Q. And you held that position until
- 7 1998?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. How did your role change when you
- 10 shifted from being an industrial hygienist to being
- 11 an employee relations specialist?
- 12 A. An employee relations specialist for
- 13 Delmarva was responsible for working around
- 14 employee matters and union issues around the
- 15 Collective Bargaining Agreements that were in place
- 16 between Delmarva and the different unions that
- 17 represented the unionized workforce.
- 18 Q. Was it a promotion?
- 19 A. It was a promotion, yes.
- Q. Did you have people working that you
- 21 supervised?
- 22 A. Not initially, no.
- Q. Then in 1998 you became an employee
- 24 relations specialist at Conectiv, is that correct?

- 1 A. I believe that's correct, yes.
- 2 Q. Did you receive any kind of training
- 3 as you moved from the industrial hygiene to
- 4 employee relations specialty?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Could you summarize it briefly for
- 7 me?
- 8 A. Combination of on-the-job training
- 9 and technical training. Conferences, seminars.
- 10 Q. Do you did you finish your
- 11 response?
- 12 A. Yes, J did.
- 13 Q. Do you belong to any professional
- 14 societies?
- 15 A. Presently?
- 16 Q. Yes.
- 17 A. Yes. World At Work.
- 18 Q. Any others?
- 19 A. Not to my recollection. I believe
- 20 that's the only one right now.
- 21 Q. Fair enough.
- What was your next position after
- 23 you were an employee relations specialist at
- 24 Conectiv?

- 1 A. To my recollection, I was benefits
- 2 manager for Conectiv.
- 3 Q. And that was from 1999 to 2001?
- 4 A. I believe that's correct, yes.
- 5 Q. And then you became compensation
- 6 manager?
- 7 A. Yes. That would have been my next
- 8 role.
- 9 Q. And how long did you hold that
- 10 position?
- 11 A. I was compensation manager for
- 12 Conectiv from 2001 through the merger with Pepco in
- 13 August of 2002.
- 14 Q. And, after August, 2002, what
- 15 position did you assume?
- 16 A. I was manager of compensation for
- 17 Pepco Holdings.
- 18 Q. And is that your current position?
- 19 A. No.
- Q. What's your current position?
- 21 A. My current position is principal
- 22 consultant for Pepco Holdings.
- 23 Q. Is that a full-time salaried
- 24 position?

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- 1 A. Yes, I did.
- 2 Q. How did you interact with Mr.
- 3 Wilkinson in this rough time period of October of
- 4 1997?
- I was a member of the overall A.
- 6 project team that was responsible for implementing
- 7 the new company's new Total Rewards program.
- Q. What did the Total Rewards program
- 9 involve?
- 10 A. The - it was an overall redesign of
- 11 the compensation and benefits programs for what
- 12 would be the new company, Conectiv.
- 13 So, that embraced health plans,
- 14 pension plans, holidays, vacation schedules, pay
- 15 structures?
- 16 A. Essentially, yes.
- 17 Q. Anything else that I've left out?
- 18 A. I think you've got the majority of
- 19 it.
- 20 And did you have any particular Q.
- 21 role, what your duties were, as part of the Total
- 22 Rewards team?
- 23 As a team member, as part of the
- 24 project team. No special responsibilities, other

- 1 than as part of the team helping to facilitate the
- 2 initiative.
- Q. Focusing on Exhibit D-1 for a
- 4 moment, do you know how that was issued to the
- 5 workforce?
- 6 A. This individual communication, I
- 7 believe, was distributed in a hard copy, printed
- 8 internally by the company's general printing group,
- 9 and then distributed to employees.
- 10 Q. Was it aimed at any particular
- 11 category of employees or was it everyone that was
- 12 drawing a paycheck?
- 13 A. This communication, I believe, was
- 14 targeted to all employees in the company, sir.
- 15 Q. Thank you, sir. Let's go to
- 16 Defendants-2,
- Mr. Kremmel, I've handed you a
- 18 document which was previously marked as
- 19 Defendants-2. It's a similar newsletter. This one
- 20 bearing the date, October 20th, 1997.
- 21 I'd ask you to take a moment to
- 22 review it and see if it is familiar to you.
- 23 A. It is similar, yes, sir.
- 24 Q. Do you know who was responsible for

- I authoring this?
- 2 A. Who, directly?
- No, I do not.
- 4 Q. Was there anyone who was on the
- 5 Total Rewards team that was particularly tasked
- 6 with handling employee communications?
- 7 A. Not individually, to the best of my
- 8 recollection.
- 9 Q. Did you receive a copy of
- 10 Defendants-2 in or about October of 1997?
- 11 A. I do not recall personally.
- 12 Q. As part of your work on the Total
- 13 Rewards team, did you come to form an understanding
- 14 that one element of the potential changes would be
- 15 a cash balance pension plan?
- 16 A. Could you repeat the question,
- 17 please?
- MR. MALONE: Can you read that back.
- 19 I think I botched it.
- 20 (Pertinent portion of the record is
- 21 read.)
- 22 THE WITNESS: Yes, I did.
- 23 BY MR. MALONE:
- Q. When did it come to your attention

- 1 estimate, to the best of your present recollection?
- 2 A. To the best of my recollection, it
- 3 would have been sometime between sometime
- 4 between the fall of 1997 and the spring of 1998.
- 5 Q. Focusing in on Defendants Exhibit 5,
- 6 did you have a role in preparing Defendants-5?
- 7 A. To the best of my recollection, I
- 8 did have a role in preparing this document.
- 9 Q. And what was your role?
- 10 A. As part of the reviewing the content
- 11 of the information as part of the Total Rewards
- 12 team, and preparing it for printing and
- 13 distribution.
- 14 Q. Who was responsible for the overall
- 15 content?
- 16 A. Who ultimately was responsible for
- 17 the overall content?
- 18 Q. Let me withdraw that and try to --
- 19 who wrote it?
- 20 A. I don't recall specifically who
- 21 wrote it.
- 22 Q. Do you remember who you conveyed
- 23 information to for the purposes of preparation of
- 24 D-5?

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- A. I believe -- I guess that's not the PARSON
- 2 right way to answer it.
- To the best of my recollection, it
- 4 was individuals with the company's corporate
- 5 communications team that would have supported the
- 6 Total Rewards project team.
- So these were not HR people?
- 8 That actually did the writing?
- No. They would have been
- 10 professional communicators.
- This was reviewed and approved by
- 12 the HR department before it was issued?
- 13 A. That is correct.
- 14 Who was responsible at that time for
- 15 reviewing employee communications with respect to
- 16 the Total Rewards program?
- 17 A. At that time, sir, there would have
- 18 been multiple individuals who would have reviewed
- 19 it. I don't recall exactly when I became manager
- 20 of benefits specifically, but I would have reviewed
- 21 it, the manager of compensation and benefits would
- 22 have reviewed it, and the vice-president of human
- 23 resources for the company would have reviewed it at
- 24 this point.

- 1 As of April of 1998, who was the Q.
- 2 manager of compensation and benefits?
- 3 I believe at that point it was still
- 4 Ben Wilkinson.
- 5 And who was the vice-president of
- 6 human resources? Mr. Cain?
- 7 At that point it was Don Cain, yes.
- 8 Anyone else in the chain of command
- 9 that would have been responsible for reviewing and
- 10 approving D-5?
- 11 Other than, as I previously
- 12 mentioned, probably at this point most of the
- 13 project team would have seen it at least seen
- 14 the draft and had had an opportunity to comment.
- 15 Your question was chain of command.
- 16 There would have been no one else in the chain of
- 17 command that I recall.
- 18 Thank you, sir. Q.
- 19 Do you know how this was
- 20 disseminated?
- 21 This would have been, again, printed
- 22 internally by the company and delivered this
- 23 individual document was delivered to individuals'
- 24 homes -- it was mailed to their homes.

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- How do you know that? 1 Q.
- 2 On, again, the last page of the
- 3 document, PH -- the document -- it reads to me, PHI
- 4 0033, it's franked with -- for U.S. postage and has
- 5 an address on it.
- In or about April of 1998, did the
- 7 company keep records when it made mailings of
- 8 benefits information to employees?
- A. The company kept a copy of what was
- 10 mailed.
- 11 Did it keep a log that would tell
- 12 you the date that it was mailed?
- 13 Not to the best of my recollection,
- 14 no.
- 15 Q. Okay.
- 16 Mr. Kremmel, I've handed you what's
- 17 previously been marked as D-6 for identification
- 18 purposes. It's a multipage document that bears the
- 19 date of December 21, 1998, and is headed, "Dear
- 20 Conectiv Management Employee."
- 21 Why don't you take a moment to
- 22 review it and then I'll ask you a few questions
- 23 about it.
- 24 Okay. A.

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- l Okay, sir.
- Q. Have you seen this before?
- 3 A. Yes, I have.
- 4 Q. When did you first see it?
- 5 A. To the best of my recollection, I
- 6 saw it in the fall of 1998.
- 7 Q. And what was the context in which
- 8 you first saw it in the fall of 1998?
- 9 A. I would have had part of I would
- 10 have had input into the preparation of the document
- 11 at that time, sir.
- 12 Q. Do you know who was the principal
- 13 author of Defendants-6?
- 14 A. I do not know specifically who the
- 15 author was, no.
- 16 Q. Are you able to identify some or all
- 17 of the people who, in the fall of 1998, were
- 18 working to create the document which became
- 19 Defendants-6?
- 20 A. Other than myself, no, not at this
- 21 point. I don't recall.
- 22 Q. Who was the manager of compensation
- 23 and benefits as of December, 1998?
- A. December of '98. To the best of my

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- 1 that are available, vision care options that are
- 2 available, life insurance options that are
- 3 available, health care and dependent care
- 4 reimbursement accounts.
- 5 Those were the components that were
- 6 involved, to the best of my recollection.
- 7 Taking a look at D-7, particularly Q.
- 8 at the third physical page, which is headed "New
- 9 Cash Balance Plan," that has a Number 24 in the
- 10 lower left-hand corner.
- 11 I see that, yes. A.
- 12 To your knowledge, is D-7 an excerpt
- 13 from or appear to be an excerpt from a larger
- 14 document?
- 15 A. It appears to be, yes, sir.
- 16 Did you have a role in preparing the Q.
- 17 larger document of which D-7 forms a part?
- 18 To the best of my recollection, yes,
- 19 I did.
- 20 And would you describe your role, to Q.
- 21 the best of your recollection, please.
- 22 As part of the review of the
- 23 materials that were included in the document and
- 24 prior to its distribution.

- 1 would have been the individuals in the compensation
- 2 and benefits group of the company.
- 3 Q. Would that include the, I think we
- 4 called it, the human resources strategic business
- 5 partners?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. Were there, in fact, a series of
- 8 meetings held in or about July or August of 1999
- 9 to for employees to attend to learn about the
- 10 cash balance plan?
- 11 A. Yes, there were.
- 12 Q. And did you participate in those
- 13 meetings?
- 14 A. I participated in some of those
- 15 meetings, yes, sir.
- 16 Q. Do you recall approximately how
- 17 many?
- 18 A. I do not recall, no, sir.
- 19 Q. Were the meetings recorded in some
- 20 form?
- 21 A. The meetings were not videotaped or
- 22 not audio recorded, no.
- 23 Q. Were there minutes maintained?
- A. No, not to my recollection.

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- 1 Q. Who was it sent to? "It" being
- 2 D-10.
- 3 I don't - I don't know who,
- 4 specifically, it was sent to.
- 5 Can you break it down by role at the
- 6 company?
- 7 A. To the best of my recollection, this
- 8 was sent to all nonrepresented employees in the
- 9 company. To the best of my recollection.
- 10 Q. Let me direct your attention to the
- 11 second paragraph on the first page of D-10 and
- 12 specifically the second sentence.
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 It says, "As managers, please make
- 15 sure that everyone who wishes to attend the
- 16 information session is given the opportunity."
- 17 Do you see that?
- 18 Um-hum. Yes, sir, I do.
- 19 The next page has a schedule of Q.
- 20 meetings. Correct?
- 21 The second page does have a listing
- 22 of meetings, yes, sir.
- 23 Q. Now, what employees were offered the
- 24 opportunity to attend the meetings on the cash

- 1 Q. Did you keep notes?
- 2 A. Not to my recollection, no.
- Q. Let me ask you to turn to the second
- 4 page of D-10. The table suggests that a number of
- 5 meetings were scheduled at a number of locations
- 6 between July 12th and July 29th.
- 7 Do you see that?
- 8 A. Yes, I do.
- 9 Q. That time frame, is that consistent
- 10 with your recollection of when the meetings took
- 11 place?
- 12 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 13 Q. And how would you describe the
- 14 format of the meeting to someone that had not
- 15 attended?
- 16 A. The format of the meeting?
- 17 Q. Yes.
- 18 A. It was a -- to my recollection, it
- 19 was a presentation and question and answer period
- 20 at each of the presentations, sir.
- 21 Q. And at each presentation was there
- 22 someone from human resources to give a
- 23 presentation?
- A. There would have been, yes.

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- 1 Q. And was there someone from Vanguard
- 2 at each?
- 3 A. To the best of my recollection, yes,
- 4 there was.
- 5 Q. And was there someone from Towers
- 6 Perrin?
- 7 A. Again, to the best of my
- 8 recollection, there was.
- 9 Q. Were there any other team members
- 10 who were part of the presentation team at these
- 11 employee meetings, other than HR, Vanguard, Towers
- 12 Perrin?
- 13 A. Team members? I'm not sure what you
- 14 mean by "team member."
- 15 Q. Let me do it in a little colloquial
- 16 fashion. The employees walked into a room; there
- 17 were a bunch of people up on the dais giving a
- 18 presentation. Somebody from HR, somebody from
- 19 Vanguard, somebody from Towers Perrin.
- 20 Anybody else?
- 21 A. I don't recall any other specific
- 22 company representatives that were there, sir.
- 23 Q. Any outside representatives?
- 24 A. I don't specifically recall any

- 1 outside representatives being at any of the
- 2 meetings.
- Q. Okay.
- 4 Now, from the chart, it appears that
- 5 you were having multiple meetings on multiple days
- 6 at multiple locations to roll out the cash balance
- 7 plan.
- 8 Is that correct?
- 9 A. That's correct, yes, sir.
- 10 Q. What measures were taken to make
- 11 sure that the presentation was reasonably
- 12 consistent from location to location and from time
- 13 to time?
- 14 A. Again, to the best of my
- 15 recollection, the same presentation was utilized at
- 16 each location.
- 17 Q. In what form was that presentation?
- 18 A. It was an overhead PowerPoint
- 19 presentation that was followed at each of the
- 20 presentations.
- 21 Q. And were notes provided to the
- 22 speakers to assist them with the PowerPoint
- 23 presentation?
- A. Not to my recollection sir, no.

- Q. Do you know who prepared the
- 2 PowerPoint presentation?
- 3 A. I do not.
- 4 Q. Did you assist in preparing it?
- 5 A. I recall assisting in it, yes. I
- 6 don't recall who actually prepared it.
- 7 Q. At any of the meetings that you
- 8 attended, were you one of the people providing the
- 9 presentation?
- 10 A. I believe I was, yes.
- 11 Q. Did that happen on more than one
- 12 occasion?
- 13 A. To the best of my recollection, it
- 14 did, yes.
- 15 Q. Can you tell me something about
- 16 locations at which you may have appeared to give a
- 17 presentation?
- 18 A. I believe the first meeting that's
- 19 listed on July 12th, I attended that meeting, and I
- 20 believe -- to the best of my recollection, I also
- 21 attended the meetings at NDGO and at King Street on
- 22 July 13th and July 14th.
- 23 Q. Okay.
- 24 A. Those are ones that I-I

- 1 believe I believe my recollection is I
- 2 attended all three of those.
- 3 I don't recall which of the others
- 4 that I attended. Although there were others, I
- 5 just don't recall which ones I would have attended,
- 6 sir.
- 7 Q. What does NDGO mean?
- 8 A. That's an acronym for Northern
- 9 Division, General Offices. It's in Newark,
- 10 Delaware.
- II Q. Is that where you are now?
- 12 A. That's where my office is, yes.
- 13 Q. Did they take attendance at the
- 14 meetings?
- 15 A. Not to my recollection.
- 16 Q. Were the meetings mandatory?
- 17 A. No. The employees it was not a
- 18 mandatory condition of employment that they attend.
- 19 Q. Do you have any ability to estimate
- 20 what percentage of employees attended?
- 21 A. Only my gut recollection at the
- 22 time. It's my it would be subjective, not
- 23 objective.
- 24 Q. I'll take subjective.

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- 1 Q. And have you ever taken a
- 2 distribution from the cash balance plan?
- 3 I have, yes.
- 4 Can you describe the circumstances
- 5 under which you took a distribution?
- A. I left Pepco Holdings from for
- 7 one year, in late 2004, early 2005, to accept a
- 8 position as manager of compensation and benefits
- 9 with American Water for that short period of time.
- 10 From your own personal perspective,
- 11 again, not as the corporate designee, but from your
- 12 own perspective as a participant in the cash
- 13 balance plan, do you have a sense of whether you
- 14 were harmed or benefited by the adoption of the
- 15 cash balance plan as opposed to the prior plan that
- 16 was in place?
- 17 MR. MALONE: Object as to form.
- 18 THE WITNESS: My - my personal
- 19 opinion is that myself and my family have been
- 20 benefited by the -- by the cash balance plan.
- 21 MS. YU: That's all I have.
- 22 FURTHER EXAMINATION
- 23 BY MR. MALONE:
- 24 How much of your time was spent on

- 1 matters relating to the cash balance plan in the
- 2 period late 1998 and 1999? Can you give me some
- 3 sense of an estimate?
- 4 A. I do not recall at this point how
- 5 many hours I might have spent specifically on the
- 6 cash balance plan.
- 7 Q. Was it a significant undertaking
- 8 that took a lot of your attention?
- 9 A. It was one of several undertakings
- 10 that took my attention during that period of time.
- 11 Q. And you worked intensively on it?
- 12 A. On? On the cash balance plan?
- 13 Q. Cash balance plan, yes.
- 14 A. To the extent that I was on the
- 15 Total Rewards project team, yes.
- 16 Q. And did you consider your service on
- 17 the Total Rewards project team to be a significant
- 18 achievement?
- 19 A. I think I contributed adequately, as
- 20 any of the other team members did.
- 21 Q. Was it significant to you that there
- 22 were no initial lawsuits surrounding the roll-out
- 23 of the cash balance plan?
- 24 A. No, sir.

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

J. MICHAEL CHARLES; MAURICE W. WARD, JR.; and JOSEPH I. FINK, JR., on behalf of themselves and all similarly situated

Case No.: 05-702 (SLR)

Plaintiffs,

PEPCO HOLDINGS, INC., CONECTIV. and PEPCO HOLDINGS RETIREMENT PLAN,

Defendants

EXPERT REPORT OF ETHAN E. KRA, PH.D. F.S.A.

BACKGROUND

- 1 am the Chief Actuary-Retirement of Mercer Human Resource Consulting, 1 am also a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries, a Fellow of the Conference of Consulting Actuaries, a member of the American Academy of Actuaries and an Enrolled Actuary under ERISA, I have given over 130 speeches on employee benefits issues over the past 30 years at various professional meetings and seminars and have authored or co-authored numerous articles on employee benefit issues. I am often quoted in such publications as The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, Time, Newsweek and other financial publications. My curriculum vitae is appended to this report as Attachment 1.
- My responsibilities at Mercer Human Resource Consulting include advising clients on the design, funding and expense allocation of employee and executive benefits, including retirement, death, disability and health benefits.

- This Report has been prepared for counsel for PepCo Holdings, Inc. 3.
- My time on this project is being billed at \$625 per hour, plus expenses. Others working on this project are being billed at our standard hourly billing rates.

FINDINGS

- In each year that I reviewed (1999 through 2007), the plan passes the 133 1/3% rule under IRC §411(b)(1)(B).
- The pleadings note that Plaintiffs' benefits decreased in certain years. These negative adjustments to the annuity payable at normal retirement date were solely on account of interest rate changes. In each of those years, they experienced a positive benefit accrual on account of increased age, service and compensation received during the year.
- As of the effective date of the plan amendment (January 1, 1999), the accrued benefit (psyable at normal retirement date) for each of the Plaintiffs was larger under the amended plan than under the pre-amended plan. This determination was based on service and plan factors (including interest rates used for crediting to the cash balance accounts and for converting cash balance accounts to animities) as of January 1, 1999 remaining constant through normal retirement date. Following is a table summarizing these results:

Name	Accrued Benefit at 1/1/99, payable at Normal Retirement Date under Pre-Amended Plan	Accrued Benefit at 1/1/99, payable at Normal Retirement Date under Amended Plan
Thomas S Troup	17,357.06	23,021,41
Maurice Ward	17,433,84	23,014.11
Jerome Charles	17,264,57	25,425.91
Joseph Fink	11,141,94	15,142.38

As of the effective date of the plan amendment (January 1, 1999), the projected benefit (payable at normal retirement date) for each of the Plaintiffs was larger under the amended plan than under the pre-amended plan. This determination was based on compensation and plan factors (including interest rates used for crediting to the cash balance accounts and for converting cash balance accounts to annuities) during 1999 remaining constant through the normal retirement date. This analysis reflects actual compensation received during 1999 and is not based solely on compensation as of January 1, 1999. However, for purposes of this determination, each Plaintiff was assumed to continue to earn service through his normal retirement date. Following is a table summarizing these results:

Name	Projected Benefit at 1/1/99, payable at Normal Retirement Date under Pre-Amended Plan	Projected Benefit at 1/1/99, psyable at Normal Retirement Date under Amended Plan
Thomas S Troup	28,982.51	38,278.10
Maurice Ward	42,933,15	50,458.26
Jerome Charles	31,953.78	41,151.88
Joseph Fink	33,469.50	39,376.03

METHODS, ASSUMPTIONS AND DATA

- In preparing this report, I have reviewed the following documents:
- Part One CONECTIV CASH BALANCE SUB-PLAN Effective as al January 1, 1999.
- ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC COMPANY RETIREMENT PLAN AS Amended and Restated Effective January 1, 1994
- DELMARVA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY RETIREMENT PLAN as amended or restated through January 1, 1995

10.	In preparing this report, I have utilized the data that were supplied to me and which
e summariz	ed on Anschment 2.

11. All projections of benefits from any given date are based on the interest rates, salaries, Social Security law (including Taxable Wage Base) in effect as of the relevant date.

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Affirmed to before me this 20th day of April, 2007, by Ethan E. Kra.

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Fellow, Society of Actuaries (1976)

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Board of Governors (1997-2000); Operations Committee (1997-2000)

Pension Section Council (1991-94), Vice-Chair (1992-93), Chair (1993-94)

FAS 106 Task Force (1993-99), Co-chair (1993-99)

Financial Economics and the Actuarial Model Task Force (jointly held with American Academy of Actuaries (2002-), Chair (2002-2004)

Discipline Committee (2000-05)

Retirement Practice Advancement Committee (1992-2004), Chair (1997-2000)

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Non-Mortality Decrement Task Force (2000-04)

Jointly Administered Examinations for Enrollment of Actuaries Committee (1978-79)

Part 4 Examination Committee (1979-80):

Fellow, Conference of Consulting Actuaries (1985)

Intersector Committee (1992-94)

Member, American Academy of Actuaries (1979)

Board of Directors (2003-2006)

Pension Practice Council (1993-94, 1997-), Vice Chair (2000-03, 2005-)

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Washington Forum Planning Committee (2002)

Strategic Planning Task Force (1997-98)

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Retirement Income Task Force (1997-)

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Pension Funding Task Force (2004-)

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Actuarial Standards Board General Committee (2002-2004)

Employment:

Mercer Human Resource Consulting, 1977 to present,

Currently Chief Actuary-Retirement, with responsibilities in the areas of design and funding of pension and group insurance benefits, structuring and funding of nonqualified pension benefits years and the proper accounting for expense of employee benefits.

Internal positions include:

- · Chair, Actuarial Resource Network
- * Former Chair, New York Region Professional Standards Committee

Principal (1984-1989); Managing Director (1989 to present); designation subsequently changed from Managing Director to Worldwide Partner.

Prudential Insurance Company of America, 1973-77.

Actuarial program, including assignments in long and short term disability insurance (3/76-4/77); group pensions (8/74-2/76); group insurance systems and aviation reinsurance.

Yale University, 1971-73.

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Speeches and Lectures:

- "Pension Reform: What You Need to Know and What You Need to Do", panelist on Corporate Treasurers Council webcast.
- "Late Breaking Developments", panelist at the 2006 Conference of Consulting Actuaries Annual Meeting.
- "Pension Funds in Crisis Next Generation Plan Design: What Will It Look Like for Generation X and Y?", panelist at Strategic Research Institute Conference.
- "Pension Reform: What You Need to Know and What You Need to Do", panelist at the Association of Financial Professionals Annual Conference.
- "Are Defined Benefit Plans an Endangered Species?, panelist at OPERS 5th Annual Investment Forum.
- "Pension Accounting Reform & the Future of Defined Benefit Plans Did the Markets, the Accounting or the Funding Rules Cause the Pension Crisis?", panelist at Strategic Research Institute Conference.
- "General Session 1 Pension Funding Reform", panelist at the 2006 Enrolled Actuaries Meeting.
- "Late Breaking Developments", panelist at the 2005 Conference of Consulting Actuaries Annual Meeting.
- "Addressing the Financial Risks from Retirement Systems Seminar: Changing Our Focus: Consulting About Risk", panelist at the 2005 Society of Actuaries Spring Meeting.
- "2005 Pension Symposium Pension Funding Reform", speaker at the symposium cosponsored by the American Academy of Actuaries, the American Society of Pension Professionals & Actuaries and the Society of Actuaries.
- "Practicing Professionalism", panelist at the 2005 Enrolled Actuaries Meeting.
- "Education 2005: Update from the Pension Perspective", panelist at the 2004 Society of Actuaries Annual Meeting.

- "Pension Funding Proposals", panelist at the 2004 Conference of Consulting Actuaries Annual Meeting.
- "Late Breaking Developments", panelist at the 2004 Conference of Consulting Actuaries
 Annual Meeting.
- "Late Breaking Developments", panelist at the 2004 Society of Actuaries Annual Spring Meeting.
- "The Great Unknown: Q & N/A's", panelist at the 2004 Enrolled Actuaries Meeting.
- "Late Breaking Developments", panelist at the 2003 Conference of Consulting Actuaries Annual Meeting.
- "The Great Controversy Symposium: Employer Perspective (Part 1)", moderator and panelist at the SOA Symposium, "The Great Controversy: Current Pension Actuarial Practice in Light of Financial Economies".
- "Late Breaking Developments", panelist at the 2003 Society of Actuaries Annual Spring Meeting.
- "Rulings and Regulations Update", panelist at the 2003 Enrolled Actuaries Meeting.
- "Q and N/A", panelist at the 2002 Conference of Consulting Actuaries Annual Meeting.
- "Late Breaking Developments", panelist at the 2002 Conference of Consulting Actuaries Annual Meeting.
- "Late Breaking Developments", panelist at the 2002 Society of Actuaries Annual Meeting.

 "Does the Syllabus Prepare Us for the Jobs of the Future?", panelist at the 2002 Society of
 Actuaries Annual Meeting.
- "Rulings and Regulations Update", panelist at the 2002 Society of Actuaries Annual Spring Meeting.
- "New Mortality Tables on Pension Plans", panelist at the 2002 Enrolled Actuaries Meeting.
- "Rulings and Regulations Update", panelist at the 2002 Enrolled Actuaries Meeting.
- "Is That Your Final Answer?", passelist at the 2001 Conference of Consulting Actuaries
 Annual Meeting.
- "Late Breaking Developments Wass Up!", panelist at the 2001 Conference of Consulting Actuaries Annual Meeting.
- "Does ERISA Bias Lead to Equity Investment?", panelist at the Society of Actuaries 2001
 Annual Spring Meeting.
- "Late Breaking Developments Part 2: Court Cases", moderator at the Society of Actuaries 2001 Annual Spring Meeting
- "Effective Use of Pension Surplus", panelist at the 2001 Enrolled Actuaries Meeting.
- "Funding Retiree Welfare Benefite", panelist at the 2001 Enrolled Actuaries Meeting.

- "Rulings and Regulation Update", panelist at the 2001 Enrolled Actuaries Meeting.
- "Late Breaking Developments", panelist at the Conference of Consulting Actuaries 2000 Annual Meeting.
- "Dējā vu Ali Over Again Q&N/A's", panelist at the Conference of Consulting Actuaries 2000 Annual Meeting.
- "Financing Voluntary Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plans", presenter at Financial Executives Institute National teleconference.
- "Late Breaking Developments and Rulings", panelist at the Society of Actuaries 2000 Annual Spring Meeting.
- "Discussion of IRS Gray Book and PBGC Blue Book", panelist at 2000 Enrolled Actuaries Meeting.
- "Rulings and Regulations Update", panelist at 2000 Enrolled Actuaries Meeting.
- "Q&NA's Gray Areas", panelist at 2000 Enrolled Actuaries Meeting.
- "Reopening the Great Debate: ERISA Funding", panelist at the Society of Actuaries 1999
 Annual Meeting.
- "Diel 10-10-GATT for Pension Plan Mortality", panelist at the Society of Actuaries 1999 Annual Meeting.
- "Q&NA's", panelist at the Conference of Consulting Actuaries 1999 Annual Meeting.
- "Late Breaking Developments", panelist at the Conference of Consulting Actuaries 1999 Annual Meeting.
- "Overview of Deferred Compensation Plans", panelist at 1999 Non-Qualified Executive Retirement Programs Conference sponsored by International Business Communications.
- "Pension Rulings and Regulations Update", panelist at the Society of Actuaries 1999 Annual Spring Meeting.
- "Discussion of Gray Book Questions and Answers", panelist at 1999 Eurolled Actuaries Meeting.
- "Rulings and Regulations Update", panelist at 1999 Enrolled Actuaries Meeting.
- "Tales of Terror Ethics, Actuaries, the ABCD and the Law", speaker at the Conference of Consulting Actuaries 1998 Annual Meeting.
- "Pension Rulings and Regulations Update", panelist at the Society of Actuaries 1998 Annual Meeting.
- "Technical Concerns: Late-Breaking Pension Developments", panelist at the Society of Actuaries 1998 Annual Spring Meeting.
- "Discussion of Gray Book Questions and Answerz", panelist at 1998 Enrolled Actuaries Meeting.

- "Postretirement Welfare Benefits", panelist at 1998 Enrolled Actuaries Meeting.
- "Exercising Professional Judgement An Exercise in Funility", panelist of General Session #1 of the 1998 Enrolled Actuaries Meeting.
- "Questions and Answers with the Experts", panelist at Conference of Consulting Actuaries 1997 Annual Meeting.
- "So What's New?-Late Breaking Developments", panelist at Conference of Consulting Actuaries 1997 Annual Meeting.
- "Financing Executive Deferred Compensation with Life Insurance—Does It Make Economic Sense When the Insurance Company Doesn't Run the Numbers?", panelist at the American Bar Association's 1997 Annual Meeting.
- "Spin Dollar Life Insurance The True Economics (Pre TAM/PLR)", panelist at the American Bar Association's 1997 Annual Meeting.
- "Trends & Issues in Non-Qualified Pension Plans", speaker at the Financial Executives Institute sponsored by the Committee on Investment of Employee Benefit Assets.
- "Pension Simplification Defined Benefit Issues", panelist at the Society of Actuaries 1997 Annual Spring Meeting.
- "Approaching the Decision Making Process: How to Compare the Alternatives", panelist at 1997 Non-Qualified Executive Retirement Programs Conference sponsored by International Business Communications.
- "Employee Benefits in Captives", panelist at 1997 Captives Insurance Operations Conference.
- "Post-Retirement Welfare Benefits", panelist at 1997 Enrolled Actuaries Meeting.
- "Exercising Professional Judgment An Exercise in Futility?", panelist at 1997 Enrolled Actuaries Meeting.
- "Gray Book Questions and Answers", speaker at 1997 Enrolled Actuaries Meeting.
- "Small Business Job Protection Act of 1996 (Pension Simplification???)", panelist of General Session #1 at 1997 Enrolled Actuaries Meeting.
- "Basics of Funding Retiree Medical", panelist at Conference of Consulting Actuaries 1996 Annual Meeting.
- "Plan Qualification/Registration Issues for Multinational Sponsors", moderator and panelist at the Society of Actuaries 1996 Spring Meeting.
- "SFAS 106/112 For the 'Know it All'", co-chair and speaker at Society of Actuaries May 1996 seminar.
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Individual Data

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	Age as of 1/1/1999]	49.92	1	43.33	1	49.17	 	44,52
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	1997	5	63,439.78	5	69,931,73	ş	57.735,84		66,544,46
	1996	\$	61.973.14	5	61,050,93	5			59,343,20
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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

J. MICHAEL CHARLES; MAURICE W.

WARD, JR.; and JOSEPH I. FINK,

JR., on behalf of themselves and all
similarly situated

Plaintiffs,

V.

PEPCO HOLDINGS, INC., CONECTIV,
and PEPCO HOLDINGS RETIREMENT
PLAN,

Defendants

Defendants

SUPPLEMENTAL EXPERT REPORT OF ETHAN E. KRA, Ph.D, F.S.A.

Backloading

- 1. On pages 15 through 18 of the Brief in support of Plaintiffs' Motion to Strike, counsel asks that my opinion on backloading be stricken. That motion is based on the allegation that my conclusions were developed on the basis of the pay crediting rate applied to a participant's account and not the annuity amount. Plaintiffs' Motion shows a total lack of understanding of my analysis and the underlying methodology.
- 2. In testing backloading, I compared the amount of accrual of annuity payable at normal retirement age based on pay credits at one age with the amount of accrual of annuity payable at normal retirement age based on pay credits at another age. I then compared each possible age at which the benefit could be accrued with each subsequent age at which a benefit could be accrued, up through normal retirement age. I then demonstrated that for no combination of ages the amount of accrual of annuity payable at normal retirement age times 4/3 is less than

the amount of accrual of annuity payable at normal retirement age earned at the subsequent age. Thus, my analysis of backloading was to test the age combinations that could produce the "worst case" results – i.e. where the ratio of accrual rates is highest. With respect to the design of the Conectiv Cash Balance Sub-Plan, that worst case analysis was a comparison of the age 29 accrual (payable as an annuity at age 65), with the age 50 accrual (payable as an annuity at age 65). The objective of the analysis was to determine the minimum interest crediting rate necessary to avoid backloading.

- 3. Plaintiffs' motion alleges that my methodology is invalid solely because it uses the pay crediting rate in place of the amount of annuity accrual in the analysis. However, basic algebraic principles can be used to demonstrate that these two approaches are mathematically equivalent. As an expert and experienced mathematician, I am quite familiar with the rules of algebra. Algebra allows for the cancellation of like amounts that appear in both the numerator and the denominator of a fraction. In addition, it allows for multiplication and division in both parts of an inequality without changing the relationship of the inequality, provided the constant multiplicand or divisor is a positive number. Similarly, I also appropriately utilized logarithms and the exponential function. Utilization of algebra is standard practice for actuaries.
- 4. The following formula represents the conversion of a 5% pay credit earned at age 29 into a life annuity payable at age 65.

$$5\% \times \text{pay} \times (1+i)^{(65-29)}$$
 divided (annuity factor @ 65)

where "?" represents the assumed constant interest rate from age 29 to age 65.

5. The following formula represents the conversion of a 10% pay credit earned at age 50 into a life annuity payable at age 65.

$$10\% \times \text{pay} \times (1+i)^{(65-50)}$$
 divided (annuity factor @ 65)

- 6. In order to pass the 133 1/3% test (i.e., the 4/3rds test), one must demonstrate that the annuity payable at age 65 that is earned at any age is at least 3/4ths of the annuity payable at age 65 earned at any future age. Thus, the analysis of backloading required the determination of the lowest single interest rate such that the plan design would not be backloaded no matter which combination of ages were compared. The next step was to determine the "worst case" combination. The worst case combination was the comparison of the age 29 accrual to the age 50 accrual.
 - 7. This required determining the minimum interest crediting rate "i" such that: $[5\% \times pay \times (1+i)^{(65-29)}]$ divided (annuity factor @ 65)] × 4/3

 \geq

$$[10\% \times \text{pay} \times (1+i)^{(65-50)}$$
 divided (annuity factor @ 65)]

8. Pursuant to the rules of Algebra, one may cancel out the term "annuity factor @ age 65" without changing the inequality, provided the "annuity factor @ age 65" is a positive number. Needless to say, the cost of annuity at any age within the normal life span of an individual is greater than zero. Thus, the inequality simplified to:

$$[5\% \times \text{pay} \times (1+i)^{(65-29)}] \times 4/3$$
 \geq
 $[10\% \times \text{pay} \times (1+i)^{(65-50)}]$

9. Similarly, assuming pay to be greater than zero, the above inequality simplified

to:

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$$[5\% \times (1+i)^{(65-29)}] \times 4/3$$

$$\geq$$

$$[10\% \times (1+i)^{(65-50)}]$$

10. Again, 10% is a positive number. Thus, dividing both parts of the inequality by 10% further simplified the inequality as follows:

$$[0.5 \times (1+i)^{(65-29)}] \times 4/3$$

$$\geq$$

$$[(1+i)^{(65-50)}]$$

11. Further simplifying the algebra, I got:

$$[2/3 \times (1+i)^{(65-29)}]$$

$$\geq$$

$$[(1+i)^{(65-50)}]$$

12. Dividing both parts of the inequality by (1 + i)(65 - 50), I got:

$$[2/3 \times (1+i)^{(50-29)}] \ge 1.0$$

13. Multiplying both parts of the inequality by 3/2, yielded:

$$(1+i)^{(50-29)} \ge 1.5$$

14. Taking the natural log of both sides of the inequality yields:

$$\ln ((1+i)^{(50-29)}) \ge \ln (1.5)$$

15. This is equivalent to:

$$(50-29) \times \ln (1+i) \ge \ln (1.5)$$

or

$$21 \times \ln(1+i) \ge 0.405465108...$$

or

$$ln(1+i) \ge 0.019307862...$$

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$$e^{(\ln{(1+i)})} \ge e^{0.019307862}$$

or

$$(1+i) \ge 1.019495465...$$

or

or

- 16. My notes simplified this to $i \ge 1.95\%$
- 17. The same methodology similarly was used in comparing the various other combinations of ages. Each analysis utilized the same basic inequality of:

$$[y\% \times pay \times (1+i)^{(65-1)}$$
 divided (annuity factor @ 65)] × 4/3

≥

where y% is the pay credit associated with age t and z% is the pay credit associated with age w and w is greater than t. In theory, each possible combination of ages would need to be analyzed where w and t were both equal to or greater than the minimum age required for participation in

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the plan, w and t are less than or equal to the normal retirement age and w is greater than t. However, since the annuity factor at age 65 is independent of the variables y, z, t & w and we have demonstrated that the annuity factor (as well as pay) essentially disappear from the algebraic relationship, the extract of my handwritten notes shown in the Plaintiffs' Motion, in fact, represented a comparison of the accrual of an annuity payable at age 65 earned at one age with the accrual of an annuity payable at age 65 earned at another age. Based on my extensive experience in doing this type of analysis, I did not need to calculate each and every age. Rather, based on the design, I was able to determine those few age combinations that would produce the greatest strain on the test and only look at those particular ages. In fact, the combination of ages which produced the greatest minimum interest crediting rate i was age 29 compared with age 50. This resulted in a requirement of a minimum interest crediting rate of 1.95%. Any other combination of ages would meet the 133 1/3% backloading test even with a somewhat lower interest crediting rate. Based on the information previously provided to me for us in preparation of my original report, the actual interest crediting rate for the Conectiv Cash Balance Sub-Plan has always exceeded 2% per annum.

The above methodology is the standard approach utilized by actuaries in testing 18. step-rated cash balance plans for backloading.

Assumption of A Static Future Interest Rate

- On page 19 of Plaintiffs' Motion to Strike, Plaintiffs' counsel states: 19.
 - There is another problem: an assumption that employees' accrued benefits should be calculated on the basis of a hypothetical static rate cannot be squared with the plain language of this plan or ERISA's definition of "accrued benefit."
- I find it most interesting that Plaintiffs' counsel objects to this methodology when 20. Plaintiffs' own expert witness utilizes the identical methodology in his report.

- 21. In Exhibits D, E, F-1 and F-2 of the Expert Report of Claude Poulin, Mr. Poulin calculates an accrued benefit at age 65 based on a cash balance account as of a given date. It is mathematically impossible to calculate that benefit at age 65 without making an assumption about interest crediting between the date of the calculation and age 65. In fact, on each line of each of these exhibits, Mr. Poulin appears to assume a fixed interest crediting rate from the year represented in that line through age 65.
- 22. The standard approach used by actuaries is to assume a static interest rate for future years. In fact, that is the methodology utilized by the Internal Revenue Service in all forms of nondiscrimination testing. Indeed, in all of my years of experience, this is the only method that I've seen any actuary use in testing for backloading.
- 23. There are some factors that will differ in future years (e.g., CPI, Taxable Wage Base, interest crediting rate), where by December of the given calendar year it is already known that the factor for the next year will differ from the current year.
 - 24. IRS Regulation §1.411(b)-1(b)(2)(ii)(D) addresses this issue. It states:

 For purposes of this paragraph, for any plan year, social security benefit and all relevant factors used to compute benefits, e.g., consumer price index, are treated as remaining constant as of the beginning of the current plan year for all subsequent plan years.
- 25. It must be noted that the IRS mandates that, in computing benefits, the analysis utilizes relevant factors that are determined "as of the beginning of the current plan year for all subsequent years." Plantiffs' motion objects to my analysis in that it does not reflect factors that changed after the beginning of the year. My analysis, however, is based on rules mandated by the IRS, as well as my extensive experience and understanding of the standard practices for such testing.

In the 20+ years that I have been involved in backloading analysis, this is the only 26. approach that I have seen used and is the standard approach used by actuaries.

State of New York

) ss.

County of New York

Affirmed to before me this 27 day of Jone 2007, by Ethan E. Kra.

My commission expires: 3/12/2011

NOTARY PUBLIC, State of New York No: 01Ml6162376 Qualified in Queens County Commission expires 3/12/201/